

Snaking through the learning center is a 4,500 foot long walkway made from recycled tires. Children enjoy the shock-absorbing walkway and many teachers walk on it for exercise during lunch.

This recycled tire walkway project was made possible in part by a grant from the California Natural Resources Agency's Urban Greening for Sustainable Communities program.

**Year installed:** 2015

**Benefits:**

- The permeable surface provides rapid drainage, allows for groundwater recharge, and reduces stormwater runoff
- Comfortable and ergonomic for walking and jogging
- Flexible, non-slip surface reduces potential trips and falls
- Diverts tires from landfill

**Manufacturing process:** Crumb rubber made from recycled tires is blended with a bonding agent. The mixture is poured over a prepared sub-base and troweled evenly into place. After curing, this base layer is topped with a wear layer of virgin colored rubber mixed with a bonding agent, poured into place, and troweled to the level of the surrounding sidewalk and curbs.

*A wide variety of high-quality, proven products are made from California's recycled tires. For more information, and a list of vendors, visit CalRecycle online at:  
<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/tires/products/>*

*Always remember to ask for products made from 100% California recycled tires!*

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